2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA 7 DONALD MCKNIGHT, 8 Petitioner, 9 CASE NO. C15-5886 BHS-KLS ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION 10 v. TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS RON HAYNES, 11 Respondent. 12 13 14 This is a federal habeas action filed under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner has submitted an 15 application seeking leave to proceed with this action in forma pauperis. Petitioner's application demonstrates that he is unable to afford the \$5.00 filing fee. Petitioner's application to proceed 16 17 in forma pauperis (Dkt. 1) is therefore GRANTED. The Clerk is directed to file petitioner's 18 petition for writ of habeas corpus without the prepayment of fees. The Clerk is further directed 19 to send a copy of this Order to petitioner. Dated this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015. 20 21 22 United States Magistrate Judge 23

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